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MEMORANDUM FOR BRIG. GEN. A. J. GOODPASTER

THE WHITE HOUSE

SUBJECT: Berlin Access Contingency Plans

With reference to Mr. Herter's telephone call to you this afternoon, I enclose the proposed telegram of instructions to Bonn, together with the messages referred to in this telegram, with the key portions sidelined in red. A copy of Acting Secretary Quarles' letter to the Secretary on this same subject is also enclosed.

I would be grateful if you would return the above enclosures when you have finished with them.

Call in C. J. C. by 10 AM
John A. Calhoun
Director
Executive Secretariat

Enclosures:

1. Proposed telegram to Bonn.
2. Berlin's telegram 422.
3. USAREUR telegram SX 7922.
4. Letter of December 9 from Acting Secretary Quarles.

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SENT BONN 372, DEPARTMENT 422 REPEATED INFORMATION PARIS 82,
LONDON 68, MOSCOW 133

BONN PASS POLAD USAREUR 143.

PARIS PASS USCINCEUR THURSTON AND WEST.

FOLLOWING IS USCIB APPROVED DRAFT REVISED CONTINGENCY
SURFACE ACCESS INSTRUCTIONS BASED ON CHITEL 352 TO BONN,
400 TO DEPT. DRAFT PREPARED PRIOR RECEIPT USAREUR SX 7922
NOV 27 SO AS TO BE READY IN EVENT WE AUTHORIZED TO DISCUSS
WITH BRITISH AND FRENCH.

DRAFT DOES NOT INCLUDE SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS FOR EMBASSY
OR U.S. CONSULAR PERSONNEL TRAVELLING IN FEDREP LICENSED
VEHICLES OVER AUTOBAHN, SINCE PRESUMABLY EMBASSY WOULD
FURNISH SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS TO COVER THESE VEHICLES.

BEGIN TEXT.

1. AUTOBAHN INSTRUCTIONS

1. FOR SINGLE MILITARY VEHICLE OR MILITARY CONVOYS ARE AS
FOLLOWS:

A. THE MILITARY CONVOY OR VEHICLE COMMANDER WILL DECLARE
TO THE EAST GERMAN OFFICIAL THAT THIS IS A US MILITARY VEHICLE(S)
AND WILL DEMAND TRANSIT THROUGH THE SOVIET ZONE AS A MATTER
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B. IF THE EAST GERMAN OFFICIAL REFUSED TO LET THE VEHICLE(S) PASS AND DEMANDS DOCUMENTATION, THE CONVOY OR VEHICLE COMMANDER WILL ASK HIM TO PRODUCE A SOVIET OFFICER TO WHOM NORMAL DOCUMENTATION WILL BE SHOWN.

C. IF PASSAGE WITHOUT DOCUMENTATION AND THE DEMAND TO SEE A SOVIET OFFICER ARE BOTH REFUSED, THE CONVOY OR VEHICLE COMMANDER WILL TURN BACK AND REPORT THE MATTER TO THE MILITARY POLICE ON DUTY AT THE US CHECKPOINT.

D. A FULL REPORT OF THE INCIDENT WILL BE FURNISHED THE US COMMANDER.

2. FOR PRIVATELY OWNED VEHICLES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

A. THE DRIVER OF A PRIVATELY OWNED VEHICLE LICENSED BY US ARMY AUTHORITIES WILL STATE THAT THIS IS A VEHICLE LICENSED BY US AUTHORITIES AND WILL DEMAND TRANSIT THROUGH THE SOVIET ZONE AS A MATTER OF RIGHT.

B. IF THE EAST GERMAN OFFICIAL REFUSES TO LET THE VEHICLE PASS AND DEMANDS DOCUMENTATION, THE DRIVE WILL ASK HIM TO PRODUCE A SOVIET OFFICER TO WHOM NORMAL DOCUMENTATION WILL BE SHOWN.

C. IF PASSAGE WITHOUT DOCUMENTATION AND THE DEMAND TO SEE A SOVIET OFFICER ARE BOTH REFUSED, THE DRIVER WILL TURN BACK AND REPORT THE MATTER TO THE MILITARY POLICE ON DUTY AT THE US CHECKPOINT.

D. UPON CONFIRMATION OF THE FACT THAT EAST GERMAN OFFICIALS ARE EXERCISING CONTROL OF THE SOVIET ZONE CHECKPOINTS, THE US COMMANDER, BERLIN WILL SUSPEND TRAVEL BY PRIVATELY OWNED VEHICLES OPERATING UNDER MILITARY REGISTRY OR, IN THE CASE OF EMBASSY ASSIGNED PERSONNEL, VEHICLES OPERATING UNDER WEST GERMAN CIVIL REGISTRY, AND A FULL REPORT WILL BE MADE TO CINCUSAREUR.

II. RAIL INSTRUCTIONS.

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1. IN THE EVENT THAT EAST GERMAN POLICE OR OTHER EAST GERMAN OFFICIALS REPLACE SOVIET PERSONNEL AT THE MARIENBORN CHECKPOINT:

A. THE TRAIN COMMANDER WILL DECLARE TO THE EAST GERMAN OFFICIAL THAT THE TRAIN IS A MILITARY TRAIN AND DEMAND TRANSIT THROUGH THE SOVIET ZONE AS A MATTER OF RIGHT. IF THE TRAIN IS PERMITTED TO PROCEED WITHOUT MEETING FURTHER DEMANDS OF EAST GERMAN OFFICIALS, THE TRAIN COMMANDER WILL TRANSMIT VIA RADIO HIS NORMAL DEPARTURE MESSAGE FROM THE MARIENBORN STATION AND THEN WILL FOLLOW UP WITH A SECOND MESSAGE NOTIFYING THE COMMANDING GENERAL BERLIN COMMAND OF THE PRESENCE OF EAST GERMAN OFFICIALS AT THE CHECKPOINT.

B. IF THE EAST GERMAN OFFICIAL REFUSES TO LET THE TRAIN PASS AND DEMANDS DOCUMENTATION, THE TRAIN COMMANDER WILL ASK HIM TO PRODUCE A SOVIET OFFICER TO WHOM NORMAL DOCUMENTATION WILL BE SHOWN. IF A SOVIET OFFICIAL IS NOT PRODUCED OR IF THE SOVIET PERSONNEL APPEAR ON THE SCENE AND REFUSE TO ACCEPT THE NORMAL DOCUMENTATION OR TO DEAL WITH THE TRAIN COMMANDER, THE TRAIN COMMANDER WILL REQUEST THAT HIS TRAIN BE RETURNED TO ITS ORIGIN STATION. IF RETURN OF THE TRAIN IS REFUSED THE TRAIN WILL IMMEDIATELY REPORT VIA RADIO TO COMMANDING GENERAL BERLIN COMMAND AND AWAIT FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS.

2. COMMANDING GENERAL BERLIN COMMAND WILL IMMEDIATELY NOTIFY USCIB ANAD CINCUSAREUR AND NO FURTHER ACTION WILL BE TAKEN UNTIL APPROVED BY CINCUSAREUR.

END TEXT.

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